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FROM THE BISHOP'S OFFICE

AS WE CONTINUE ON OUR LENTEN JOURNEY TO EASTER, I RECALL A MOVING STORY SHARED BY A PASTOR COLLEAGUE WHO WAS SERVING AN ENGLISH-SPEAKING CONGREGATION IN POLAND. IT'S ABOUT THE BRAVE TRUMPETER OF KRAKOW. IN THE 1200'S THE TARTARS WERE INVADING POLAND. THE GREAT CITY OF KRAKOW WAS UNDER SEIGE. ONE NIGHT AT MIDNIGHT THE TARTARS CREPT CLOSE TO THE WALLS AND WOULD HAVE CAPTURED THE CITY, HAD NOT A TRUMPETER STATIONED IN THE WATCHTOWER SOUNDED A BOLD CALL THAT AWAKENED THE DEFENDERS. BUT AS HE BLEW A REPEAT OF HIS WARNING, EAGER TO ALERT EVERYONE, A TARTAR SHOT HIM THROUGH THE THROAT, SILENCING HIM.

TODAY, EVERY HOUR ON THE HOUR, IN THE GREAT SQUARE OF KRAKOW, THE SAME CALL IS MADE. BUT JUST AS THE MELODY SEEMS ABOUT TO ESTABLISH ITSELF, THE TRUMPETING STOPS. THE ARROW HAS STRUCK HOME.

A GREAT STORY. I WONDER HOW MUCH IT PORTRAYS THE WAY WE CELEBRATE EASTER. WE SPEND A LOT OF TIME IN LENT PREPARING FOR EASTER. WE "GIVE UP" OR "TAKE ON" SOMETHING FOR LENT. OUR DEVOTIONAL LIFE BECOMES MORE FOCUSED. WE RELIVE CHRIST'S PASSION. WE RE-ENACT THE GREAT ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM ON PALM SUNDAY. WE OBSERVE THE FOOT WASHING AND LAST SUPPER. WE AGONIZE OVER HIS DEATH ON A CROSS-----AND THAT IS OFTEN WHERE THE ARROW STRIKES AND WE STOP.

OF COURSE, WE WILL COME TO EASTER SUNDAY. IN FULL-THROATED VOICE WE WILL SING, "CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY!" WE WILL SOUND THE TRUMPET AND PROCLAIM THE INCREDIBLY WONDERFUL GOOD NEWS, "HE IS NOT HERE. HE IS RISEN!"

BUT I ASK THE HARD QUESTION, "HOW MANY OF US THIS YEAR WILL WALK AWAY FROM EASTER WITH A RESURRECTION FAITH, AND AS EASTER PEOPLE JOYFULLY CELEBRATE OUR NEW LIFE IN CHRIST?" RESURRECTION IS A TIME OF REBIRTH AND NEW BEGINNINGS. WILL WE BE CHANGED THIS EASTER?

I AM WELL AWARE THAT WE ARE VULNERABLE AND EXPOSED AS THAT TRUMPETER OF KRAKOW. THE THREATS IN OUR CALLINGS AS EASTER HERALDS ARE ALL TOO REAL. THE ARROW CAN STRIKE AND KILL. WE CAN KEEP CHRIST IN THE TOMB. AND LIFE GOES ON AS IT ALWAYS HAS . . . OR, WE CAN HEAR THE ENTIRE MELODY AND EASTER CHANGES US. RAISED UP WITH CHRIST, LIFE BEGINS ANEW. AND EVERY DAY BECOMES AN EASTER FILLED WITH HALLELUJAHS TO THE LIVING LORD.

WITH THE RISEN CHRIST AT OUR SIDE, MAY ALL OF US, ENERGIZED AND EMPOWERED WITH FRESH ENTHUSIASM, PROCLAIM THE WONDERFUL DEEDS OF GOD!

JOYFULLY IN CHRIST'S SERVICE,

L. PAUL BARTLING, ASSISTANT TO THE BISHOP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bringing Light Into Darkness

SYNOD ASSEMBLY PLANS MOVE AHEAD

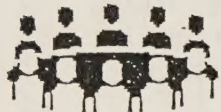
PLANNING FOR THE 1991 SYNOD ASSEMBLY CONTINUES TO PROCEED ON COURSE. PRE-REGISTRATION PACKETS HAVE BEEN MAILED TO CONGREGATIONS, INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES OF THE SYNOD, ROSTERED PERSONS SERVING IN NON-PARISH SETTINGS, AND THOSE WHO ARE RETIRED AND ON LEAVE. REMINDERS OF SOME DEADLINE DATES IN RELATION TO THE ASSEMBLY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

APRIL 15 RESOLUTIONS DUE TO SYNOD OFFICE
MAY 1 PRE-REGISTRATION AND DISPLAY REQUESTS DUE
MAY 15 PACKET INSERTIONS DUE
(TYPED SHEET 8 1/2" x 11")

DATES: JUNE 7-9, 1991
PLACE: BELLEVUE RED LION INN

CHURCH COUNCIL TRAINING

THE FIRST CHURCH COUNCIL TRAINING EVENT IN OUR SYNOD WAS HELD ON MARCH 9 AT HOPE LUTHERAN IN LYNDEN. THE NEXT TRAINING EVENT IS SCHEDULED AT PHINNEY RIDGE LUTHERAN IN SEATTLE ON MAY 4 FROM 9 AM TO 3 PM FOR THE NW SEATTLE CLUSTER.



CHURCH COUNCIL TRAINING PROGRAM IF YOUR CONGREGATION OR CLUSTER IS INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THIS VALUABLE CHURCH COUNCIL TRAINING, PLEASE CONTACT OUR SYNOD COORDINATOR, PASTOR GORDON PEASE, AT 652-8739. OUR SYNOD HAS THREE TRAINING TEAMS COMPRISED OF TWO TRAINERS EACH, AND THEY ARE PREPARED TO HOLD TRAINING EVENTS FOR CLUSTERS OF CHURCH COUNCILS. THE TRAINING WILL BE OFFERED ANNUALLY, SO CONGREGATIONS CAN PLAN ON SENDING NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS EACH YEAR.

GATHERING FOR ALL CLERGY SPOUSES

PLEASE SAVE SATURDAY, MAY 18 FOR A CLERGY SPOUSE GET-TOGETHER. WE WILL MEET AT BETHEL LUTHERAN OF SHORELINE, 9:30 AM-2 PM. NANCY MCEACHRAN WILL BE OUR GROUP LEADER, SPEAKING ON THE THEME OF "FAMILY". A MAILING WITH DETAILS AND A RESERVATION FORM WILL BE SENT TO EACH CLERGY SPOUSE IN EARLY APRIL.

REGION 1 COUNCIL SUMMARY

REGION 1 LEADERS WHOLEHEARTEDLY ENDORSED THE ELCA'S MULTICULTURAL GOALS, WHEN THEY VOTED ON MARCH 2 TO MAKE V. TED HUTCHINSON'S REGION 1 MULTICULTURAL DIRECTOR POSITION FULL-TIME. IT IS HOPED THAT THE ELCA'S INCLUSIVITY GOALS CAN BE MET BY THE YEAR 2,000 IN REGION 1.

A PRESENTATION BY PASTOR LUD SIQUELAND, REGION 1 DEPLOYED STAFF, ELCA DIVISION FOR OUTREACH, IDENTIFIED THE TOP EIGHT FUNCTIONS OF THE REGION, AND LISTED MORE THAN 180 SPECIFIC WAYS THAT THE DEPLOYED AND REGIONAL STAFF ARE FULFILLING THE ELCA'S MISSION IN THE NORTHWEST.

AFTER REVIEWING THE PROPOSED CHANGES IN REGIONS IN CHAPTER 18 OF THE ELCA CONSTITUTION, THE SYNOD LEADERS IN THE REGION AGREED TO CONTINUE ASSIGNING FUNCTIONS TO THE REGION. "EVEN THOUGH THE NEW LANGUAGE TENDS TO DIMINISH THE REGIONAL FUNCTIONS, THE SYNODS IN REGION 1 HAVE NOT AGREED TO REDUCE THEM," RON COEN SAID. "THEY TOLD US NOT ONLY TO CONTINUE OUR WORK, BUT TO RESPOND TO NEW MISSION IDENTIFIED BY THE SYNODS. ALL SIX REGION 1 BISHOPS WERE ACTIVE IN THE CONVERSATION."

A TOUCHING PART OF THE TWO-DAY SESSION WAS THE SURPRISE RETIREMENT DINNER FOR PASTOR BOB ARMSTRONG, DEPLOYED STAFF, COMMISSION FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT. HE WILL OFFICIALLY RETIRE IN MAY, 1991.

PLEASE CORRECT THIS PHONE NUMBER

THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR THE LITE OFFICE IN TACOMA (LUTHERAN INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION) WAS MISPRINTED IN THE NEW SYNOD DIRECTORY/MINUTES BOOK. THE CORRECT NUMBER IS 535-7342. PLEASE MAKE THIS CORRECTION IN YOUR DIRECTORY.

BREAD FOR THE WORLD SELECTS NEW PRESIDENT

BREAD FOR THE WORLD'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS ANNOUNCED THAT DAVID BECKMANN HAS BEEN NAMED THE NEW PRESIDENT OF THE HUNGER-FIGHTING ORGANIZATION. BECKMANN WILL SUCCEED CURRENT OUT-GOING PRESIDENT ARTHUR SIMON, WHO FOUNDED THE ORGANIZATION IN 1974.

BECKMANN IS AN ECONOMIST, AUTHOR, ORDAINED PASTOR, AND MEMBER OF BREAD FOR THE WORLD'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS. HE WILL END HIS TENURE AS SENIOR ADVISOR ON NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WITH THE WORLD BANK, WHERE HE LED EFFORTS TO EXPAND THE BANK'S RESPONSIVENESS TO GRASSROOTS AND
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BREAD FOR THE WORLD (CONT.)

RELIGIOUS DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS. PRIOR TO THE WORLD BANK, BECKMANN SERVED IN BANGLADESH, WORKING ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ISSUES WITH THE LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION DEPARTMENT OF WORLD SERVICE.

"BREAD FOR THE WORLD HAS A UNIQUE RECORD OF HELPING TO REDUCE HUNGER," SAID BECKMANN. "BUT THE NEED IS MASSIVE AND URGENT. I AM CONVINCED THAT U.S. CHURCHES MUST BECOME MORE EFFECTIVE ADVOCATES FOR POOR PEOPLE, HERE AND ABROAD. I AM ALSO CONVINCED THAT ALMOST NOTHING ELSE IS MORE IMPORTANT TO PROGRESS AGAINST HUNGER AND POVERTY WORLDWIDE THAN THE EMERGENCE OF A STRONGER U.S. CONSTITUENCY FOR PUBLIC POLICIES THAT BENEFIT POOR AND HUNGRY PEOPLE."

BREAD FOR THE WORLD IS A GRASSROOTS, ANTI-HUNGER ORGANIZATION. ITS 43,000 MEMBERS EDUCATE THEIR COMMUNITIES REGARDING THE CAUSES OF HUNGER, AND THROUGH THE "OFFERING OF LETTERS" CAMPAIGNS LOBBY THEIR CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES TO MAKE THE ELIMINATION OF HUNGER A LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS 'WAY PAST DUE!

THERE ARE STILL 34 CONGREGATIONS WHICH HAVE NOT MAILED IN THEIR COMPLETED PAROCHIAL REPORTS TO THE SYNOD OFFICE. WE NEED TO HAVE THESE ASAP TO REVIEW THEM AND FORWARD THEM TO THE CHURCHWIDE OFFICE FOR THEIR STATISTICAL SUMMARIES. PLEASE SEND YOURS IN TODAY! THANK YOU.

OPEN YOUR HOME TO JAPANESE GUESTS

THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON EXTENSION ANNOUNCES THE ANNUAL "HOMESTAY" PROGRAM. THEY ARE SEEKING HOSTS WILLING TO OPEN THEIR HOMES TO JAPANESE GUESTS THIS SUMMER. THERE ARE FIVE WEEKENDS AVAILABLE (LISTED BELOW), AND 156 STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM. SINGLE MALE HOUSEHOLDS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED FOR FOUR OF THE HOMESTAYS. HOWEVER, THEY ARE WELCOMED FOR THE KAGOSHIMA HOMESTAY WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 6-8. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION, CALL PAMELA OR TRINA AT 543-0888. THE DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

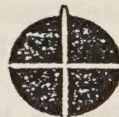
JUL 26-28 KANAZAWA WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY
AUG 17-18 KYORITSU COLLEGE
AUG 17-18 KYOEI COLLEGE
AUG 23-25 KONAN WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY
SEP 6-8 KAGOSHIMA KEIZAI UNIVERSITY
(MOSTLY MALES)

FEES FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

AN ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHURCHWIDE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY INFORMS US THAT THE ARCHIVES WILL CHARGE A FEE OF \$15.00 PER HOUR FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH, WITH A LIMIT OF TWO HOURS PER REQUEST. REQUESTS WILL BE TRACKED, USING AN ONLINE SYSTEM, TO ASSURE TIMELY RESPONSE. THE ARCHIVES RECEIVES MANY PHONE CALLS REGARDING GENEALOGY RESEARCH. PHONE INQUIRIES WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME FEE FOR SERVICE AS LETTER INQUIRIES. RESEARCH CANNOT BE CONDUCTED OVER THE PHONE. HOWEVER, THE ARCHIVES STAFF WILL CONTINUE TO ANSWER GENERAL INQUIRIES BY PHONE. THEY CAN BE REACHED BY CALLING THE ELCA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, (312) 380-2700.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF SPRING LOADING DATES

KEN AND RUTH HELLING, LWR KEY LEADERS, ANNOUNCE THAT SPRING LOADING DATES WILL BE FRIDAY, MAY 3 (8-4), AND SATURDAY, MAY 4 (8-NOON ONLY) AT OUR REDEEMER'S LUTHERAN, 2400 NW 85TH, IN SEATTLE. SEND CHECKS FOR FREIGHT EXPENSES TO THE HELLINGS AT 2370 W VIEWMONT WAY W, SEATTLE, WA 98199.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

QUESTIONS?

CALL KEN AND RUTH AT 285-6962.

LWR HAS RECENTLY RESPONDED TO APPEALS FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR TWO EMERGENCIES HALF A WORLD APART. MORE THAN 52,000 LBS. OF CLOTHING VALUED AT \$79,000, ALONG WITH 16,950 QUILTS, 10,500 LAYETTES, AND 36,000 LBS. OF SOAP, WERE SHIPPED TO FIVE AREAS OF THE SOVIET UNION THAT HAVE BEEN ESPECIALLY HARD HIT BY DISTRIBUTION PROBLEMS. ALSO, LWR SHIPPED HEALTH KITS AND BLANKETS TO LIMA, PERU, IN RESPONSE TO THE RECENT OUTBREAK OF CHOLERA THERE. THE EPIDEMIC IS THE FIRST MAJOR OUTBREAK OF CHOLERA IN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE IN THIS CENTURY.

DELEGATES NEEDED FOR WASHINGTON ASSOCIATION OF CHURCHES (WAC) ASSEMBLY

THE EIGHTH BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY OF WAC WILL MEET AT CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, ELLENSBURG, MAY 10-11. DELEGATES GATHER FROM ALL ACROSS THE STATE FROM EACH OUR THE MEMBER JUDICATORIES TO EVALUATE, SET GOALS, WORSHIP, AND ELECT OFFICERS TO LEAD THE WAC IN THE 1991-92 BIENNIUM.

OUR SYNOD IS AUTHORIZED TO SEND 10 DELEGATES. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN

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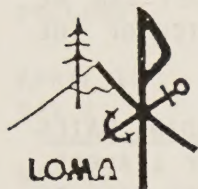
WAC BIENNIAL ASSEMBLY (CONT.)

ATTENDING THIS IMPORTANT ASSEMBLY, PLEASE CALL THE SYNOD OFFICE RIGHT AWAY, SO THAT WE CAN REGISTER OUR DELEGATES BY APRIL 1. CALL OCCIE ROLANDER AT 526-5059 IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.

A SPECIAL INVITATION FOR PERSONAL RETREAT

THE LOMA CENTER FOR RENEWAL IN ISSAQUAH EXTENDS AN INVITATION TO LUTHERAN CLERGY AND ASSOCIATES IN MINISTRY AND THEIR SPOUSES TO ENJOY A PERSONAL RETREAT ON SUNDAY, APRIL 21 TO MONDAY, APRIL 22,

BEGINNING AT 4 PM ON SUNDAY, THROUGH NOON ON MONDAY. ENJOY READING, FELLOWSHIP WITH FRIENDS, AND THE HOT TUB. REFLECT ON WHATEVER YOU WANT. IF YOU WANT DIRECTION DURING YOUR PERSONAL RETREAT, THE LOMA CHAPLAIN CAN MEET WITH YOU INDIVIDUALLY.



LOMA WILL SERVE SUNDAY DINNER AND ON MONDAY, A SPECIAL CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST. EVERY OVERNIGHT ROOM IS PRIVATE, AND TOWELS AND LINENS ARE PROVIDED. ENJOY THIS TIME TO VISIT WITH SELDOM-SEEN PEERS FROM OTHER SYNODS. CALL FRIENDS AND INVITE THEM TO JOIN YOU. LUTHERAN CLERGY, AIMS AND SPOUSES WILL BE THE ONLY GUESTS AT THE LOMA CENTER DURING THIS TIME.

CALL 392-1871 FOR RESERVATIONS BY APRIL 16. THERE IS NO COST FOR THIS OVERNIGHT RETREAT. LOMA WELCOMES DONATIONS TOWARDS ITS CONTINUING MINISTRY.

LUTHERAN VESPERS RADIO BROADCAST

DUE TO CHANGES IN OPERATION AT THE RADIO STATIONS KBRD-FM AND KTAC-AM, LUTHERAN VESPERS WILL NOW BE HEARD AT 5:30 AM EACH SUNDAY. PLEASE HELP SPREAD THE WORD OF THIS CHANGE IN BROADCAST TIME BY INCLUDING A NOTICE IN YOUR SUNDAY BULLETIN AND/OR NEWSLETTER. MANY CONGREGATIONS PUBLICIZE THE LUTHERAN VESPERS BROADCAST BY USING THE SERMON EXCERPTS MAILED MONTHLY FROM THE LUTHERAN VESPERS OFFICE TO CONGREGATIONS WHICH REQUEST THEM FROM THE CHURCHWIDE OFFICE, 8765 W HIGGINS RD, CHICAGO, IL 60631; 1-800-638-3522.



AN INVITATION TO THE SOVIET UNION

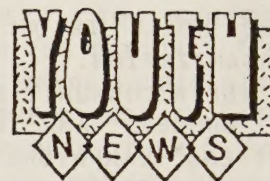
THE RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH IN LENINGRAD HAS INVITED THE ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL CHOIR TO VISIT THE SOVIET UNION JUNE 22-JULY 9.

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TRIP TO SOVIET UNION (CONT.)

THE PEOPLE OF ST. JAMES ARE ORGANIZING A PILGRIMAGE FOR PEOPLE OF FAITH IN WESTERN WASHINGTON TO TRAVEL WITH THEIR CHOIR AS IT TOURS AND PERFORMS CONCERTS IN RUSSIA AND ESTONIA. THEY WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU AND YOUR PARISHIONERS TO COME ALONG. THEY HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH A TRAVEL AGENCY WHICH SPECIALIZES IN TRIPS TO THE SOVIET UNION TO OFFER A REASONABLY-PRICED TOUR FOR PILGRIMS. COST OF THIS 17-DAY TOUR IS \$2,975, WHICH INCLUDES AIRFARE, GROUND TRANSPORTATION, MEALS AND LODGING.

IF YOU WISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL 286-9027 AND THEY WILL SEND A TRAVEL BROCHURE. RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY MARCH 29.



LBI "FESTIVAL OF LIFE"

PLAN NOW TO BRING JUNIOR HIGH AND SENIOR HIGH YOUTH FROM YOUR CONGREGATION TO THE ANNUAL "FESTIVAL OF LIFE" EVENTS AT LUTHERAN BIBLE INSTITUTE. THERE WILL BE 200-300 YOUTH PARTICIPATING IN CELEBRATION, REFLECTION, CHALLENGE, CREATIVE FUN, AND THE BUILDING OF FRIENDSHIPS IN CHRIST.

THE THEME THIS YEAR, "UNDER CONSTRUCTION", WILL FOCUS ON IDENTITY, RELATIONSHIP TO OURSELVES, AND RELATIONSHIP TO JESUS CHRIST. FEATURED SPEAKER WILL BE JANE PRESTBYE, DIRECTOR OF THE YOUTH WORK DEGREE PROGRAM AT LBI. REGISTER EARLY!

SENIOR HIGH WEEK - JUNE 23-27

GRADES 9-12

COST \$95.00

(ARRIVE SUNDAY AFTERNOON AND LEAVE AFTER LUNCH ON THURSDAY)

JUNIOR HIGH WEEK - JUNE 30-JULY 3

GRADES 7-9

COST \$80.00

(ARRIVE SUNDAY AFTERNOON AND LEAVE AFTER LUNCH ON WEDNESDAY)

PLEASE PROVIDE ONE ADULT COUNSELOR FOR EVERY FIVE YOUTH. ADULT COUNSELORS WILL BE ASKED TO SHARE IN SMALL GROUP LEADERSHIP. CALL LBI IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION, 392-0400, OR TOLL-FREE 1-800-843-5659 AND ASK FOR JANET CEDERBERG.

MORE YOUTH NEWS

1991 SERVANT EVENTS--WEST

IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO CHECK OUT SERVANT EVENTS--WEST, 20 EXCITING SUMMER SERVICE EXPERIENCES. MANY STILL HAVE ROOM FOR PARTICIPANTS TO CLIMB ABOARD! IF YOU NEED A LIST OF EVENTS, CALL 624-0093.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOLS-1991

"JAMMIN' ON THE CROSSROAD"--THE LIVELY THEME OF THIS YEAR'S REGION 1 YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOL--PICKS UP THE EXCITEMENT OF THE CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP. LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOL (LTS) IS A PRACTICAL, "HANDS-ON" TRAINING SCHOOL TO EQUIP YOUTH AND ADULTS WHO WORK WITH YOUTH WITH SKILLS AND RESOURCES TO STRENGTHEN OR START CONGREGATIONAL YOUTH MINISTRY.

LTS--WEST WILL BE HELD AUGUST 15-18 AT PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY, TACOMA. VAL STARR WILL BE THE SPEAKER, AND MUSIC WILL BE LED BY TIM UECKER AND CHUCK CARLSON.

THREE YOUTH IN GRADES 9-12, PLUS ONE ADULT FROM EACH CONGREGATION, ARE ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND LTS. HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES ARE ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS BENEFICIAL TRAINING.

NEW THIS YEAR IS LTS II, A SECOND STEP IN YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING, DESIGNED FOR A LIMITED NUMBER OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE COMPLETED ONE LTS AND WANT TO FURTHER EXPLORE THEIR CALL TO LEADERSHIP. LTS II WILL BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH LTS--WEST.

COST FOR LTS IS \$85 PER PERSON, WITH A SMALL ADDITIONAL COST FOR LTS II REGISTRANTS. REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE MAILED TO ALL REGION 1 CONGREGATIONS IN MID-APRIL.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY CONFERENCE

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY IS PLANNING A SPECIAL INFORMATIONAL CONFERENCE APRIL 12-13 AT LBI, OPEN TO ANYONE INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT THE WORK OF THE BIBLE SOCIETY AND THE SERVICES THEY HAVE TO OFFER. IT WILL BEGIN AT 2:00 PM ON FRIDAY AND CONCLUDE AT 2:00 PM ON SATURDAY, WITH A \$10.00 REGISTRATION FEE.

AN EXCITING PART OF THIS CONFERENCE WILL BE THE VIEWING OF THE COLOR VIDEO,

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ABS CONFERENCE (CONT.)

"NO LONGER IN CHAINS", AND HEARING HOW, AT THIS MOMENT, GOD IS GIVING UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN RUSSIA AND EASTERN EUROPE.

CHILD ABUSE SEMINAR

"HEALING THE HURT: A COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO CHILD ABUSE" IS THE TOPIC OF A ONE-DAY SEMINAR ON APRIL 13 FROM 9 AM TO 3:30 PM AT TRINITY LUTHERAN, TACOMA. FEATURED SPEAKERS ARE CHRISTY ULLELAND, M.D., OF HIGHLINE CHILDREN'S CLINIC; LEE CARLISLE, M.D., WITH THE CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE PROGRAM OF THE TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT; AND PASTOR JAN OTTO, OF CELEBRATION LUTHERAN, PUYALLUP.

TOPICS INCLUDE RECOGNITION OF SYMPTOMS OF ABUSE; TREATMENT FOR SURVIVORS AND THEIR FAMILIES; RELATED PROBLEMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY AND CO-DEPENDENCY; TREATMENT FOR SYMPTOMS OF DEPRESSION AND POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER; SPECIAL ISSUES FOR MALE SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE; AND INFORMATION ON HOW TO PREVENT VICTIMIZATION.

PARENTS, CHURCH WORKERS, TEACHERS, COUNSELORS, NURSES, AND OTHER CONCERNED INDIVIDUALS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND. A DONATION OF \$15 IS BEING REQUESTED TO COVER LUNCH AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 537-0201.

CONFLICT MANAGEMENT IN CONGREGATIONS

A CONFERENCE FOR CLERGY AND CLERGY-LAY TEAMS SPONSORED BY THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF OLYMPIA IS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 16-18 AT THE PALISADES RETREAT CENTER IN FEDERAL WAY. THE PURPOSE OF THE CONFERENCE IS TO PROVIDE PARTICIPANTS WITH SKILLS AND UNDERSTANDING WHICH WILL ENABLE THEM TO HAVE CONFIDENCE IN DEALING WITH SITUATIONS OF CONFLICT.

OUR PASTOR JOHN RECHER WILL BE A MEMBER OF THE STAFF. JOHN HAS ADVANCED TRAINING THROUGH THE ALBAN INSTITUTE AND SPEED LEAS, AND HAS ASSISTED NUMEROUS CONGREGATIONS AS THEY WORKED THROUGH CONFLICT.

COST, INCLUDING LODGING AND MEALS, IS \$90 PER PERSON, OR \$80 FOR TWO OR MORE FROM A SINGLE CONGREGATION. WRITE FOR REGISTRATION MATERIALS TO BETSY GREENMAN, DIOCESE OF OLYMPIA, P O Box 12126, SEATTLE, WA 98102. REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO 48 PEOPLE, AND SPACES WILL BE HELD ON A FIRST-PAID RESERVATION FEE BASIS.

MORE CONTINUING ED

ASSIMILATING NEW MEMBERS

THE ALBAN INSTITUTE IS OFFERING A SEMINAR ON ASSIMILATING NEW MEMBERS. THE FOLLOWING AREAS WILL BE COVERED: 1) REVIEW THE SIX STAGES NEW MEMBERS GO THROUGH WHEN MOVING FROM NON MEMBERSHIP TO FULL INVOLVEMENT, 2) ASSESS YOUR CONGREGATION'S WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT, 3) EXPLORE KEY ELEMENTS NEEDED IN GROWING CHURCHES; 4) ASSESS HOW LARGE YOUR CONGREGATION WISHES TO GROW, AND 5) IDENTIFY CRITICAL AREAS TO DEVELOP IN YOUR CHURCH'S ASSIMILATION PROCESS.

WE ARE FORTUNATE THAT THIS SEMINAR IS BEING OFFERED IN SEATTLE APRIL 19-20. FOR SPECIFIC REGISTRATION INFORMATION, CALL 1-800-457-8893. ONE UNIT OF CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT IS OFFERED.

INTERVENTION TRAINING WORKSHOP

"HOW TO HELP THE PERSON WHO DOESN'T WANT HELP: INTERVENTION TRAINING FOR CLERGY MEMBERS" IS BEING OFFERED ON APRIL 25, 8 AM TO 5 PM BY PUGET SOUND TREATMENT CENTER IN TACOMA. CONTACT KARL BERG FOR MORE INFORMATION, 756-9548. WORKSHOP FEE IS \$35, WHICH INCLUDES WORKSHOP MATERIALS AND LUNCH.

"CALLED TO FOLLOW" CONFERENCE (APLLM)

THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL LUTHERAN LAY MINISTERS (APLLM) WILL BE HELD THIS YEAR ON MAY 13-16 AT HOLDEN VILLAGE. KEYNOTE SPEAKER IS RETIRED PASTOR ERLING WOLD FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, WITH THE BIBLE STUDY LED BY BUZZ KAHN. SEVERAL WORKSHOPS ARE SCHEDULED, AND A NEW "CLUSTER TIME" FOR SHARING HAS BEEN ADDED.

COST FOR THE CONFERENCE IS \$150, WITH A \$75 DEPOSIT DUE ASAP! FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT INEZ HUSHAGEN AT 623-7447.

SUMMER OFFERINGS FROM LITE

PLEASE BE SURE TO PUBLICIZE THE FOLLOWING CONTINUING EDUCATION EVENTS FOR BOTH CLERGY AND LAITY IN YOUR CHURCH NEWSLETTERS. FOR DETAILS ON THESE COURSE OFFERINGS, CALL 535-7342.

+ANNUAL LITE SUMMER INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY--JULY 8-11, PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY, TACOMA. UNDER THE THEME,
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SUMMER INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY (CONT.)

"BIBLE READING, TEACHING THE FAITH & HUMAN LIBERATION: REVIEWING THE BASICS," THIS INSTITUTE WILL FEATURE THREE OUTSTANDING

TEACHERS/THEOLOGAINS: DR. JAMES SANDERS, SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AT CLAREMONT; DR. MARGARET KRYCH, LUTHERAN SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY IN PHILADELPHIA; AND DR. WALTER ALTMANN, TEACHER AT THE LUTHERAN SEMINARY IN BRAZIL. WORSHIP WILL BE

LED BY REV. JESSICA CRIST, DIRECTOR OF THE NORTHERN ROCKIES INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY IN MONTANA. TUITION IS \$130 (\$30 FOR SPOUSES OR RETIRED); ROOM AND BOARD ARE EXTRA.

LOGOS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PROGRAM--JULY 29-AUG 1, CONCORDIA COLLEGE, PORTLAND. LITE, CONCORDIA COLLEGE, THE NORTHWEST DISTRICT/LC-MS, AND ELCA YOUTH SERVICES ARE COOPERATING TO OFFER A LOGOS "LEADERSHIP TRAINING SCHOOL" THIS SUMMER. DEVELOPED ORIGINALLY IN THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, THIS SYSTEM OF MID-WEEK CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS NOW USED BY A WIDE SPECTRUM OF DENOMINATIONS, INCLUDING LUTHERAN. THE SUMMER INSTITUTE WILL BE A TRAINING EVENT FOR CONGREGATIONAL TEAMS (PASTORS, LAY CHURCH PROFESSIONALS, EDUCATION ASSOCIATES, MUSIC DIRECTORS, AND/OR EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS) IN THE LOGOS PROGRAM. IT IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE INSIGHTS AND DEMONSTRATE PROCESSES BY WHICH CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH PROGRAM PIECES CAN BE INTEGRATED INTO A COMPLETE SYSTEM THAT ATTRACTS ADULTS TO CHURCH AS WELL.

COST DEPENDS ON THE SIZE OF THE TEAM SENT, WITH THE COST FOR THE FIRST PERSON SET AT \$350, AND DECREASING TO \$50 PER PERSON FOR EACH PERSON AFTER THE THIRD.

EIGHTH BIENNIAL THEOLOGICAL CONFERENCE--SEPT 30-OCT 3, HOLDEN VILLAGE. LITE ANNOUNCES AN EXCEPTIONAL GUEST LIST FOR THIS CONFERENCE, WHICH IS OPEN ONLY TO CHURCH/AGENCY CLERGY, STAFF AND THEIR SPOUSES. DOUGLAS JOHN HALL, PROFESSOR OF CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY AT MCGILL UNIVERSITY, MONTREAL; ELIZABETH BETTENHAUSEN, WOMEN'S THEOLOGICAL CENTER, BOSTON; AND LC-MS CLERGYMAN PETER STEINKE, DIRECTOR OF CLERGY CARE AT LSS/TEXAS.

HOLDEN PROVIDES A PERFECT SETTING FOR INTERACTION AND RENEWAL, SO AFTERNOONS WILL BE KEPT MOSTLY FREE. COST IS \$185 PER PERSON, INCLUDING ROOM & BOARD, BOAT FARE, AND TUITION.

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MINISTRY, VOCATION, AND FAMILY: A TIME FOR REFLECTION, RENEWAL, AND FOCUS

The Rev. Larry Gaffin, Director of the Center Life Decisions, a career counseling service in Seattle, will offer a workshop for pastors who wish to clarify, reflect, and/or renew the interactions of vocation, family, and personal goals in their lives.

Do I need to refocus the kind of ministry I'm doing?

Do I have a sense of balance in my life?

Should I consider vocational options?
In the church...outside the church...

Am I clear about my skills AND abilities?

Do I have control of the stress in my life?

Larry is a UCC clergyperson with extensive background in parish ministry, campus ministry, and career counseling. Using a process that has been effective for countless others, Larry has developed vocational counseling skills for his own job changes, his several ministries, and his clients in private practice.

This workshop is sponsored by the Bishops and District President of the Northwest through Consultation to Clergy (CTC). Both the registration process and the interactions of the workshop will be confidential. The ambiance of the workshop will be informal, relaxed, and intentional.

These workshops will be limited to 20 persons, with two alternate dates for 1991: April 22-24 and June 17-19 (9 am Monday to 4:30 Wednesday). Depending on registrants, the workshops will be held at locations between Portland and Seattle.

Registration packets will be sent to those who return the form at the bottom of this page.

Cost for the workshop will be \$325 per person. Funding assistance will be available through congregational sources, GEM program funds, scholarships through CTC, and bishops' and district president's offices. Travel equalization will be available to those who must travel more than 200 miles. Consult Eldon Olson at CTC, 911 Stewart Street, Seattle, WA 98101 for details; 623-8193.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

PREFERRED DATE _____ AVAILABLE BOTH DATES _____

FUNDING AVAILABLE TO ME IN THE CONGREGATION \$ _____
THROUGH PERSONAL RESOURCES \$ _____

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CALENDAR

MARCH

- 26 Bishop Knutson luncheon with AIMS, Synod Office
- 31 EASTER SUNDAY--CHRIST IS RISEN!

APRIL

- 2 Finance Committee, Prince of Peace No, 6 pm
- 2 Personnel Committee, Faith, Seattle, 4 pm
- 3 Executive Committee, Synod Office, 7:30 am
- 6 Combined NW/SWWA Leadership Support Committees, Grace, Des Moines, 9:30 am-noon
- 6 Stewardship "How-To" Workshop, Prince of Peace So, Seattle, 9 am-4pm
- 8-11 Region I Pastoral Conference, Vancouver, B.C.
- 13 Stewardship "How-To" Workshop, Salem, Mt Vernon, 9 am-4pm
- 23 Retirees and widows gathering
- 23 Board of Extended Ministries, St John, Seattle, 7:30 pm
- 25 Board of Congregational Life, Prince of Peace No, Seattle, 7:30 pm

MAY

- 4 Leadership Support Committee, Trinity, Lynnwood, 9 am
- 4 NW Seattle Cluster Council Training, Phinney Ridge, Seattle, 9 am-3 pm

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<u>CALLS ACCEPTED</u>	LP=Lead Pastor A=Associate Y=Youth Pastor
None this month	
<u>AIM APPOINTMENT(S) ACCEPTED</u>	
None this month	
<u>INSTALLATION(S)</u>	
None this month	
<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>	
None this month	
<u>ORDINATION(S)</u>	
None this month	
<u>RESIGNATION(S)</u>	
None this month	
<u>RETIREMENT(S)</u>	
Paul B. Pierson	04/01/91
<u>TRANSFER(S) IN/OUT OF SYNOD</u>	
F. Craig Johnson	from Montana Synod 02/15/91
Roy L. D. Ylitalo	from Alaska Synod 02/04/91
<u>CONGREGATIONS IN CALL PROCESS</u>	NV=New Vacancy Int=Interim
CP=Congregational Profile	I=Interviewing C=Calling
Bellingham, Central (Assoc)	I Leonard Ericksen, Pastor
Edison, Bow	I Paul Wietzke, Int
Everett, Central	I Paul Running, Int
Kirkland, Trinity	I Susan Kyllö, Int
Redmond, Faith (Assoc)	I Terry Thomas, Pastor
Seattle, 1st/Rchmd Bch(Assoc)	CP Ray Lester/Jean Nesse
Seattle, Lakeridge	Int Lothar Pietz, Int
Seattle, Magnolia	CP Robert Schultz, Int
Seattle, Peace	I Warren Strain, Int
Seattle, University (AIM)	I June Nilsen, Pastor

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOUR CONGREGATION IS SEEKING A LAY PROFESSIONAL, PLEASE CONTACT THE SYNOD OFFICE. THANK YOU.